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1. INDOCHINA

GWERTZMAN (NYT) QUOTES DOS' BROWN SAYING THURS THAT US NOT
PLANNING NEGOTIATE AID TO SRV, SO HOUSE VOTE VS DISCUSSION
ASSISTANCE TO HANOI SUPERFLUOUS. GWERTZMAN SAYS EFFECT
AMENDMENT MAY BE MAKE NORMALIZATION TALKS MORE DIFFICULT.
NOTES AMENDMENT OFFERED BY REP ASHBROOK (R-O) AFTER
HEARING SRV SAID US OWED IT OVER 4.5 BILLION DOLS. REVIEWS
RECONSTRUCTION SUPPORT PLEDGE IN C-F/REPORTED NIXON LTR
PLEDGING 3.25 BILLION IN AID PLUS 1.5 BILLION FOOD AID
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THRUOUT INDOCHINA.

ISAACS (SUN HK) NOTES DISCUSSION DRAFT SRV INVESTMENT CODE
IN US CH COMM MAG HK WRITTEN BY HK-BASED US BANKER. PIECE
SAYS SRV APPEARS ANXIOUS FOR EXPANDED TRADE RELS W/WEST MAY
OFFER SUBSTANTIAL INDUCEMENTS FOR FON INVESTORS. REVIEWS
DETAILS CODE/SRV DEALINGS W/HK ENTERPRISES OVER PAST YR.

BROWNING (CSM PARIS) REPORTS US STOPS CONSIDERING MIAS AS
OBSTACLE TO NORMALIZATION RELS W/VN. HAS IMPRESSION US

READY NORMALIZE RELS VIRTUALLY WHENEVER SRV AGREES. NOTES ANGRY REACTION FROM NATL LEAGUE FAMILIES PARIS TALKS OBSERVERS WHO CRITICIZED APPARENT US ACCEPTANCE IDEA THAT HANOI WITHHOLDING INFO TO USE AS BARGAINING CHIP.

IN ARIZ, CHMN NATL LEAGUE FAMILIES DENOUNCES AGREEMENT TO ABANDON OPPOSITION TO SRV ENTRY INTO US/ESTABLISH DIPL RELS. CALLS IT SELLOUT OF MIAS; ADDS THAT PRES/ADVISERS AGAIN CHARMED/DUPED BY VIET COMMUNISTS (UPI, WSTAR 5/5). CHI S-T (5/2) CARRIES AP HUMAN-INTEREST PIECE ON MIA FAMILY IN NH.

IN WHERE-ARE-THEY-NOW ITEM, KENT (LAT 5/4) QUOTES VISITORS TO SAIGON THAT "BIG" MINH LIVING IN SPACIOUS VILLA/NEVER SEEN IN PUBLIC/SOME QUESTION WHETHER UNDER HOUSE ARREST OR IN VOLUNTARY ISOLATION. RE THICH TRI QUANG, KENT SAYS UNNATURALLY QUIET SINCE GVN COLLAPSED/REPORTEDLY RE-TREATED TO AN QUANG PAGODA/POSSIBLY UNDER HOUSE ARREST. QUOTES RECENT DIPL REPORTS TRI QUANG/OTHERS AT PAGODA WARNED VS RESISTING HANOI REGIME/SHELTERING PEOPLE CONSIDERED UNFRIENDLY BY GOVT.

2. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

KENT ALSO MENTIONS THIEU HAS BECOME SOMETHING OF MYSTERY MAN/LIVES QUIETLY IN LONDON SUBURB. ADDS EX-GEN NGUYEN UNCLASSIFIED

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KHANH OWNS SUCCESSFUL LEFT BANK RESTAURANT AT PARIS WHERE TENDS STRICTLY TO BUSINESS. LEMBKE (LAT 5/4) DESCRIBES QUIET LIFE NGUYEN CAO KY IN HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. SAYS SEEMS CONCENTRATE ON LEARNING WAY AROUND BUSINESS WORLD. NOTES NO EVIDENCE KY DRAWING ON SECRET CACHE OF MONEY, THO FAR FROM IMPROVERISHED.

RICHARDS (WP) REPORTS FED/STATE OFFICIALS FIND SERIOUS FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES IN USG PROGRAM FOR INDOCHINESE REFUGEES.

3. CHINA

WHILE ENROUTE LONDON ECON SUMMIT THURS, PRES CARTER TOLD REPORTERS HE MIGHT CONSULT FORMER PRES NIXON INDIRECTLY FOR ADVICE ON PRC BEFORE SECSTATE MAKES TRIP PEKING LATER THIS YR (UPI, NYT; WSJ). LONGER REUTER (LONDON) STORY CITES PRES AS SAYING "MIGHT PROVE ADVANTAGEOUS" HAVE CONVERSATIONS W/NIXON ABOUT "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP" WITH PRC--THOUGH PROBABLY WOULD NOT DO IT HIMSELF.

SENIOR PRC VICE PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN 5/5 BADE FAREWELL OUTGOING USLO CHIEF GATES/HELD INFORMAL DISCUSSION/DINNER WITH GATES AND US DIPS IN GREAT HALL OF PEOPLE. REUTER

(PEKING) ADDS FACT LI HOSTED WHAT BILLED AS "INFORMAL DINNER" SEEN AS INDICATION IMPORTANCE PRC ATTACHES TO RELS WITH US. ITEM CONTENDS WOODCOCK "HAS BEEN NOMINATED" SUCCEED GATES (ALSO REPORTED IN NYT).

DURING TOAST AT PEKING BANQUET FOR DUTCH PRINCE/PRINCESS, LI HSIEN-NIEN DENOUNCED DETENTE AS "SPIRITUAL OPIUM" SOVS TRYING USE TO WEAKEN EUROPE (UPI HK, WP).

PRC WARNS CAMBODIA TO STOP HARASSMENT OF THAILAND ALONG COMMON FRONTIER/SAYS INCIDENTS WILL HURT CAMBODIA'S WORLD IMAGE MORE THAN REPORTS TERROR INSIDE COUNTRY, ACCORDING UNCLASSIFIED

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DIP SOURCES (UPI BANGKOK, BALT NA, 5/5).

CHAIRMAN HUA KUO-FENG TOURED SOV BORDER REGION NE CHINA (HEILUNGKIANG/KIRIN/KIAONING PROVINCES) BETW 4/20-25, WARNED SOVS "WILD AMBITION" SUBJUGATE PRC WILL NOT DIE. ANTI-COMMUNIST HK PAPER REPORTS SERIOUS SINO-SOV BORDER CLASHES BETW NOV-MARCH W/HEAVY CASULTIES BOTH SIDES (AP TOKYO, NYT).

ACCORDING 5/5 "PD" EDIT, PRC WANTS LEARN ALL GENUINELY GOOD/USEFUL IN POL/ECON/SCI AND TECH/LITERATURE AND ART AND "WE SHALL ALWAYS DO SO". EDIT COINCIDES WITH NATIONWIDE INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE EXAMINING WAYS LIFT PRC ECONOMY/SEEMS SUGGEST RULING MODERATES INTEND WIDEN PRC HORIZONS DEGREE NOT ENVISIONED BY MAO/CHOU (AP TOKYO, SUN).

PAK TROOPS HAVE CLASHED WITH MOSLEM TRIBESMEN HOLDING CHINESE ROAD WORKERS HOSTAGE (WP, WSJ, PHINQ). LONGER SIMONS (WP) REPORT FROM LAHORE SAYS 30 TRIBESMEN/5 SOLDIERS KILLED 5/5 AS SOME 12,000 SPECIALLY-TRAINED TROOPS MOVED UP SILK ROUTE; 10,000 TRIBESMEN BELIEVED TO HAVE SURROUNDED 3,000-7,000 CHINESE IN 34 CAMPS ALONG 493-MI HIGHWAY.

CHINA SENDING GYMNASTICS TEAM TO UK TO HONOR QUEEN'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY ON THRONE/FIRST APPEARANCE IN EUROPE BY TEAM FROM REPUBLIC OF CHINA (SIC)(AP LONDON NYT).

US TRADE MISSION HAS ARRIVED TAIWAN FOR NEGOTS ON VOL CURBS ON NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR EXPORTS TO US (REUTER TAIPEI, WP).

IN WASHINGTON, US/HK HAVE OPENED NEGOTS ON RENEWAL 3-YR TEXTILE AGREEMENT WHICH EXPIRES 9/30. MAIN ISSUE ANNUAL US QUOTA FOR HK. CARTER ADMIN UNDER PRESSURE CURB IMPORTS. HK DEL SAID IN JUNE SEEKING NO INCREASE, BUT MORE FLEXIBLE ADMIN QUOTAS (REUTER LAT 5/5). UNCLASSIFIED

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4. PHILIPPINES

WB APPROVES 73-MILL-DOL LOAN TO HELP FINANCE IRRIGATION/
WATER-SUPPLY SYSTEMS (WSJ).

5. INDONESIA

MORITZ (CSM HK) REPORTS GOVT-BACKED GOLKAR PARTY WILL
PROBABLY WIN 60-65 PCT TOTAL VOTE/OPPOSITION ISLAMIC PARTY
WIN 29 PCT. SAYS GOLKAR'S REPS IN PARLIAMENT COULD SLIP
326-226 OUT OF 360 ELECTED SEATS; SUHARTO APPOINTS ANOTHER
100. GOI CERTAIN PROCLAIM OUTCOME AS PUBLIC APPROVAL,
BUT MUSLIM TRADITIONALISTS LIKELY INTERPRET OWN GAINS AS
CONFIRMING UNDERCURRENT UNEASE RE GOVT.

SUHARTO CONFERS W/CHIEF OPPOSITION LEADER AFTER REPORT
CLAIMING WIDESPREAD BALLOT-RIGGING TOOK PLACE (REUTER
JAKARTA).

MAGNUS (CHI S-T 5/2) REVIEWS CAREER CARMEL BUDIARDJO,
FORMER POL PRISONER, NOW TOURING US TO "ALERT" ON INDO
SITUATION. QUOTES HER DURING CHICAGO APPEARANCE THAT
PRES CARTER DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT INDONESIA WHEN
TALKED ABOUT HUMAN RTS--THO "TENS OF THOUSANDS" BEING
JAILED/MISTREATED/TORTURED.

6. AUSTRALIA

INTELL/SECURITY SERVICES FRAGMENTED/POORLY ORGANIZED,
ACCORDING PM, WHO ADDS WILL BE REORGANIZED IMMEDIATELY
(WP). US SENATE INTELL CMTE LAUNCHES PRELIMINARY INVESTI-
GATION RE CHARGES CIA INTERFERENCE IN AUSSIE POLITICS
(REUTER WASHINGTON).

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LAT'S KEMPSTER (5/5) CITES TUES SENATE INTELL CMTE REPORT
THAT HAK APPROVED USE SECRET INFORMANTS/HIDDEN MIKES BY
CIA TO OBTAIN INFO RE INTERNAL POLITICS S PAC ISLANDS.
CMTE CHIDED NIXON/FORD ADMINS.

8. LONDON ECON SUMMIT

CARTER ARRIVED LONDON THURS FOR 5 DAYS' MEETINGS W/LEADERS
EEC/CANADA/JAPAN (WALSH, WP LONDON). PRES SAID SUMMIT
WILL PUT PEOPLE OF WORLD BACK TO WORK/DISCOURAGE RAPID
ROBBING BY INFLATION/SHARE USE RAW MATLS FROM LDCS/SHARE
BOUNTIES (MOHR, NYT LONDON). CARTER IMPROVED POSITION
W/ALLIES BY REJECTION PROTECTIONIST SCHEMES VS SHOE/SUGAR

IMPORTS THO OTHER ISSUES REMAIN. JAPAN LIKELY BE PRESSURED EXPAND IMPORTS. ADMIN OFFICIAL CONFIDES NO SERIOUS DECISIONS WILL BE MADE (BARNES, WSTAR 5/5). PRES' DRIVE CURB SPREAD NUKE TECHNOLOGY W/WEAPONS POTENTIAL EXPECTED BE MOST CONTENTIOUS ISSUE AT SUMMIT (SMITH, NYT LONDON). CARTER'S ENCOUNTER W/FRG'S SCHMIDT OVER NUKE POLICY/ATTACKS ON HUMAN RTS VIOLATIONS IN E EUR/ ECON POLICIES WILL BE IMPORTANT (GETLER, WP BONN).

9. KOREA

AP (SUN) REPORTS HOUSE INVESTIGATORS APPARENTLY ARE SUBPOENAING DOCUMENTS THAT, ACCORDING REP CAPUTO (R-NY), "TEND TO ESTABLISH" SENS/REPS STILL IN CONGRESS HAVE ACCEPTED VALUABLE ITEMS FROM SK/OTHER FOREIGN AGENTS. NOTES THAT IF CAPUTO DESCRIPTION PROVES ACCURATE, DOCUMENTS WOULD FOR FIRST TIME BE EVIDENCE CONGRESSMEN ILLEGALLY ACCEPTED SUCH GIFTS--BUT POINTS OUT CAPUTO'S DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENTS, IN LETTER TO SENIOR MEMBERS HOUSE CMTE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT, GAVE NO INDICATION WHO CONGRESSMEN ARE OR HOW SOLID EVIDENCE AGAINST THEM IS.
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REV SUN MYUNG MOON/10 ASSOCIATES WERE ARRESTED THURS ON CHARGES OF TRESPASS AT BARD COLLEGE, IN SE NY. ALL GIVEN TICKETS/RELEASED PENDING COURT APPEARANCES FRI NIGHT; CHARGE IS VIOLATION PUNISHABLE BY FINE OR JAIL TERM OF UP TO 15 DAYS (UPI, WP; AP, SUN; REUTER REDHOOK, NYT 5/5).

10. JAPAN

REUTER (TOKYO) REPORTS MITI SAID FRIDAY THAT US/JAPAN HAVE REACHED BASIC AGREEMENT AT TOKYO WORKING-LEVEL TALKS ON METHOD/PROCEDURE OF RESTRICTING JAPANESE COLOR TV EXPORTS TO US. MITI SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THESE TALKS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY MASUDA/STRAUSS DELIBERATIONS IN LONDON.

ACCORDING WSTAR'S COHN (5/5), CARTER ADMIN IS STEPPING UP PRESSURE ON JAPAN TO LOWER TRADE BARRIERS/BOOST ECON GROWTH. NOTES TREASURY SEC BLUMENTHAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT CRITICIZED JAPAN FOR FAILING DO ITS SHARE TO STABILIZE WORLD ECON, AND ISSUED "VEILED WARNING" THAT JAPAN WILL RISK RETALIATION IF IT REFUSES INCREASE IMPORTS.

POLICE/CONSTRUCTION WORKERS FRI DEMOLISHED LAST OBSTACLES TO OPENING OF TOKYO'S NEW INTL AIRPORT--2 STEEL TOWERS BUILT BY FARMERS/LEFT-WING ACTIVISTS IN THEIR BITTER 6-YR BATTLE AGAINST AIRPORT (REUTER NARITA).

TREASURY SAYS IT WILL IMPOSE EXTRA DUTIES ON NUTS/BOLTS

IMPORTED FROM JAPAN, BECAUSE THEY ARE BEING SUBSIDIZED BY GOJ IN VIOLATION OF US COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAWS; BUT DEPT DECIDES AGAINST IMPOSING ADDITIONAL DUTIES ON JAPANESE SCREW IMPORTS, ON GROUND GOJ SUBSIDIES FOR THEM TOO SMALL TO BE LEGALLY SIGNIFICANT. WSJ REPORTS NUTS/BOLTS IMPORTED FROM JAPAN LAST YEAR TOTALED 100 MILLION DOLS, WHILE SCREWS TOTALED 37 MILLION; PENALTY DUTY AMOUNTS TO UNCLASSIFIED

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0.2 PCT OF VALUE NUTS/BOLTS.

JOC'S BARNARD (LONDON) NOTES HITACHI HAS CHOSEN WASHINGTON VILLAGE, IN NE ENGLAND--WHICH PRES CARTER VISITING FRI-- AS POSSIBLE SITE FOR COLOR TV ASSEMBLY PLANT; UK LABOR UNIONS/TV MANUFACTURERS ARE BATTLING TO KEEP HITACHI OUT, CHARGING ITS MOVE THERE IS PART OF WIDER STRATEGY TO WIPE OUT UK TV-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

11. LONDON ECON SUMMIT

PORTER (JOC LONDON) BELIEVES SUMMIT MAY PROVE FRUITFUL/ ACHIEVE CONSENSUS ON PRESSING PROBLEMS INCL TRADE/ENERGY/ FINANCE. OPINES FRG/JAPAN MAY COME UNDER PRESSURE TO ALLOW CURRENCY APPRECIATE FURTHER. BARTLETT (WSTAR BRUSSELS 5/5) THINKS SUMMIT BUILDUP MAY BE RUNNING AHEAD OF ANY RESULTS THAT MAY BE EXPECTED. CONCLUDES MUCH WILL DEPEND ON HOW CARTER HANDLES SCHMIDT.

WSJ BELIEVES HEAVY ATMOSPHERE LIKELY, W/FUKUDA MAINLY CONCERNED W/HEAVY-HANDED TREATMENT GETTING FROM US. APPLAUDS FRG/JAPAN FOR CONTROL INFLATION/PRESERVING CURRENCIES' VALUE. ADVISES PRES: W/DRAW CRITICISM FRG/ JAPAN RE ECON POLICIES, JOIN W/THEM TO URGE WEAK NATIONS FOLLOW SOUNDER ECON POLICIES. STATES PRES NEEDS FRG/JAPAN ADVICE MORE THAN THEY NEED HIS.

JOC REVIEWS PROBLEMS IN AGENDA. SAYS FRG/JAPAN WANT CLEAR ARTICULATION US ECON POLICY. MENTIONS FRG IMPRESSED US TREASURY W/MANAGEMENT ECONOMY; ADDS JAPANESE "HAVEN'T GOT ANYWHERE NEAR" COURAGE OF GERMANS RE APPRECIATION CURRENCY. ADVISES PRES WORK TO ELIMINATE FRICTIONS W/FRG/ JAPAN.

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12. CHINA

CDN'S FREUDENHEIM, IN ARTICLE ENTITLED "CHINA SUBTLY

SOFTENING--EXPERT", HIGHLIGHTS VIEWS OF ALLEN WHITING, WHO SEES NEW POLICY TREND IN PRC THAT IS "PRO-DETENTE" BUT NOT NECESSARILY PRO-US. WHITING AGAINST "SUMMITRY W/OUT SUBSTANCE" NOW; BELIEVES HUA STILL VULNERABLE/PARTY LEADERSHIP ISN'T FULLY CONSTITUTED AND "NEW LEADERSHIP MUST BE POLITICALLY INVULNERABLE BEFORE WE CAN TALK TO THEM ON MAJOR THORNY ISSUES."

WHITING SEES GIVING UP FORMER SELF-RELIANCE SLOGAN; THINKS BASIS PRC FOREIGN POLICY HAS SHIFTED FROM FEAR SOV ATTACK ALONG BORDER AS CONFIDENCE PRC'S NUKE DETERRENCE GROWS/ RETURN OF RATIONAL CHOUIST POLICIES MEANS RETURN TO QUALITY STANDARDS IN EDUCATION.

CITING VISIT OF THREE PLAINS, GA, CITY COUNCILMEN/ASSESSOR TO TAIWAN WHILE CHIP CARTER AND CODEL IN PRC, GLOBE'S CROCKER SNOW (5/6) SAYS CARTER ADMIN HAS SHOWN ASIA SOME OF YING-YANG SO CENTRAL TO ORIENTAL THOUGHT--BUT UNINTENTIONALLY AND TO ADMIN'S MINOR EMBARRASSMENT. COINCIDENCE OF TWO SIMULTANEOUS/SYMBOLIC TRIPS DISCOVERED BY WH BY ACCIDENT/TOO LATE TO AVOID.

RE PLAINS' DEL VISIT TO ROC, SNOW SAYS NEITHER PARTY (ROC OFFICIALS/PLAINS VISITORS) FUDGES ABOUT POLITICAL MOTIVATION OF TRIP. PLAINS MAYOR GODWIN INDICATES WH KNEW OF TRIP WISHED THEM WELL--BUT SNOW NOTES THIS MORE STYLIZED THAN SINCERE. ADMIN'S CHINA HANDS FELT LITTLE COULD DO TO DISCOURAGE TRIP ONCE INVITATION EXTENDED/ACCEPTED.

ACCORDING SNOW, CHIP CARTER TRIP ALSO LAST MINUTE AFFAIR BUT NOT JUST BALANCING ACT TO MOLLIFY PEKING. ADDS "NOTHING IN TEA LEAVES YET TO INDICATE IF CHIP CARTER'S TOASTS IN PEKING HAVE STERILIZED BOZE GODWIN'S TREE-
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PLANTING IN KAOHSIUNG." SAYS WOULD BE RICH CHAPTER IN ASIAN-US ENCOUNTERS IF US CAREFUL GESTURING TOWARD 800 MIL AFFECTED BY INNOCENT JUNKETEERING OF PERSONS FROM TOWN OF 800.

KEYES BEECH (CDN 5/3) CITING DOS SOURCES, SAYS CARTER ADMIN HAS STEPPED UP TIMETABLE FOR DEVELOPING CLOSER RELS WITH PRC AND SECSTATE VISIT TO PEKING MOVED UP FROM NOV TO AUGUST. NEW TRAVEL PLANS NOT YET "TIED DOWN," SINCE PRC MUST AGREE ON TIMING/TOPICS.

BEECH SAYS ONE RESULT OF VANCE'S PRC VISIT MIGHT BE STRENGTHENING TACIT US-PRC ALLIANCE, SHUT-OUT OF SOV INFLUENCE IN EA. LITTLE PROGRESS EXPECTED IN AREA ESTB DIP RELS; REPORTS DOS OFFICIAL SAYS NO SIGN AT THIS POINT US HAS MADE UP MIND DISCUSS NORMALIZED RELS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. SAYS ADVANCEMENT TIMETABLE FOR VANCE VISIT HAS

NOTHING DO WITH CRITICISM.

13. PARIS TALKS

WP FINDS EARLY PROGRESS SATISFYING, SINCE SUBSTANTIAL REASONS EXIST ACCEPT SRV REGIME. SAYS QUEST FOR MORE MIA INFO MUST GO ON. DEPLORES "CRUDE" INTRUSIONS, LIKE NO-AID-FOR-VN RESOLUTION PASSED BY HOUSE, SINCE CAN ONLY COMPLICATE PROCESS. RECOMMENDS MATURE ACCEPTANCE MUTUAL ADVANTAGE IN BURYING PAST/ARRANGING FUTURE COOPERATION WHERE IN INTEREST BOTH.

SUN NOTES HOUSE'S AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT NEGOTS ON US AID FOR SRV. BELIEVES WILL BE BURIED BY SENATE, BUT ADVISED HANOI THAT HOUSE VOTE CANNOT BE IGNORED; CONGRESS WILL NOT VOTE DIRECT AID/PROBABLY WILL RESIST INDIRECT ASSISTANCE IF SRV PERSISTS IN TALKING ABOUT US "OBLIGATION" IN RECONSTRUCTION. ADVISES SENSIBLE SOLUTION IS NORMALIZATION RELS W/O PRECONDITIONS/ALLOW COMMON INTERESTS COME UNCLASSIFIED

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TO FORE. PREDICTS W/RIGHT STEPS, VN'S RECONSTRUCTION COULD GET HELP THAT COUNTS FROM US PRIVATE INVESTMENT. CONCLUDES US' ACCOMMODATION OF UN MEMBERSHIP/HANOI'S COOPERATION ON MIAS HAVE PROVIDED GOOD START TO REAL PEACE.

GLOBE FINDS NEW MATURITY/REALISM IN CONDUCT US FOPOLICY. SAYS SRV HAS MUCH GAIN FROM US FRIENDSHIP/HAS MUCH OFFER US, INCL STABILIZING INFLUENCE IN SEA/POTENTIAL SOURCE OIL. ASSERTS MAJOR TRADEOFF IS MORAL, NOT MATERIAL; INVOLVES NEED US GET RID OF WAR'S STIGMA/VN NEED PROVE INTENT ON BUILDING CIVILIZED STATE, NOT ON REPLACING "TIGER CAGES" W/"RE-EDUCATION CAMPS." BELIEVES AID PROGRAM IN ORDER THAT DOES NOT ABUSE HUMAN RTS; CONCLUDES WOULD MARK WAR'S REAL END/LAY FOUNDATION FOR NEW ERA.

WICKER (NYT) NOTES PROGRESS APPARENTLY MADE AT TALKS, BUT PROBLEM LEFT FOR LATER CONCERNED US "CONTRIBUTIONS" FOR RECONSTRUCTION. REVIEWS HAK/NIXON "PLEDGE," PRES CARTER'S STAND ON "REPARATIONS." QUOTES GARETH PORTER ARTICLE IN 4/30 "NATION" MAG THAT THERE WAS NIXON-HAK PLEDGE OF 3.25 BILLION DOL'S AID "WITHOUT ANY POLITICAL CONDITIONS"/STORY ON HOW PLEDGE WAS MADE. ADDS HAK INSERTED PROVISION THAT AID GRANTED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE W/"CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESSES." WICKER CONCLUDES UNPUBLISHED NIXON LTR RE AID POSES MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEM IN RENEWED NEGOTS.

14. INDOCHINA

COWLES, EDITOR "ALLIANCE WITNESS," WRITES WP OF SILENCE ON KR BRUTALITY TOWARD CAMBODIAN PEOPLE. NOTES FORMERLY VOCAL WAR PROTESTERS CURIOUSLY/ALMOST TOTALLY SILENT WHILE

KR EXTERMINATED ESTIMATED 1/5 POPULATION. SAYS EVEN
PRES CARTER HAS NOT MENTIONED CAMBODIA. BELIEVES NATL
OUTCRY IN FREE NATIONS MIGHT BE SUFFICIENT EASE LOT OF
"REMNANT." CALLS SILENCE "DEADLY. CHRISTOPHER

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